displayer may display items of information corresponding to the selected relation criterion searched out by the information search system aligned on the selection axis. The non-selectable information displayer may display items of information corresponding to another relation criterion, other than the selected relation criterion searched out by the information search system aligned on the non-selection axis.

[0055] Here, the information storage system may be furnished inside a computer apparatus configuring the display information selection apparatus. Also, in case the computer apparatus configuring the display information selection apparatus is connected to a network, the information storage system may be furnished inside another computer apparatus existing on the network. The information storage system may exist dispersed on the network with respect to each of the relation criterion information sets.

[0056] In order to achieve the object, according to a second aspect of the present invention, there is provided a display information selection method executed in a computer apparatus that includes an input device including at least a first input and a second input and a display for displaying information. The method selectively displays a plurality of items of information on the display in accordance with an input from the input device. The items of information relate to one another via at least one relation criteria for different respective ones of the relation criteria. The method includes displaying specified information in a specified position on the display. The specified information is optionally selected from among the plurality of items of information. The method further includes displaying other items of information relating to the specified information via a selected relation criterion selected from among the relation criteria that relate the other items of information to the specified information. The selected other items of information are aligned on a selection axis set on the display with the specified position as a reference. The method further includes displaying other non-selected items of information relating to the specified information via another relation criterion, other than the selected relation criterion. The other non-selected items of information are aligned on a non-selection axis set on the display beside the selection axis with the specified position as a reference. The method further includes changing a selection of the specified information to another item of information displayed adjacent to the specified information on the selection axis in accordance with the input from the first input. The method further includes changing a selection of the selected relation criterion to another relation criterion of the relation criteria that relate the specified information to other items of information in accordance with the input from the second input.

[0057] In order to achieve the object, according to a third aspect of the present invention, there is provided a program, when executed by a computer apparatus comprising an input device including at least a first input, a second input, and a display for displaying information, that causes the computer apparatus to carry out a method of selectively displaying a plurality of items of information on the display in accordance with an input from the input device. Each of the items of information are related to another item of information via each of one or more relation criteria. The program causes the computer apparatus to display specified information in a specified position on the display. The specified information is optionally selected from among the plurality of items of

information. The program further causes the computer apparatus to display other items of information relating to the specified information via a selected relation criterion selected from among the relation criteria that relate the other items of information to the specified information. The selected other items of information are aligned on a selection axis set on the display with the specified position as a reference. The program further causes the computer apparatus to display other non-selected items of information relating to the specified information via another relation criterion, other than the selected relation criterion. The other non-selected items of information are aligned on a non-selection axis set on the display besides the selection axis with the specified position as a reference. The program further causes the computer to change a selection of the specified information to another item of information displayed adjacent to the specified information on the selection axis in accordance with an input from the first input. The program further causes the computer apparatus to change a selection of the selected relation criterion to another relation criterion of the relation criteria that relates the specified information to the other items of information in accordance with an input from the second input.

[0058] In order to achieve the object, according to a fourth aspect of the present invention, there is provided a computer readable recording medium tangibly embodying a program. The program, when executed by a computer apparatus comprising an input device including at least a first input, a second input, and a display for displaying information, causes the computer apparatus to carry out a method of selectively displaying a plurality of items of information on the display in accordance with an input from the input device. Each of the items of information are related to another item of information via each of one or more relation criteria. The program causes the computer apparatus to display specified information in a specified position on the display. The specified information is optionally selected from among the plurality of items of information. The program further causes the computer apparatus to display other items of information relating to the specified information via a selected relation criterion selected from among the relation criteria that relate the other items of information to the specified information. The selected other items of information are aligned on a selection axis set on the display with the specified position as a reference. The program further causes the computer apparatus to display other non-selected items of information relating to the specified information via another relation criterion, other than the selected relation criterion. The other non-selected items of information are aligned on a non-selection axis set on the display beside the selection axis with the specified position as a reference. The program further causes the computer to change a selection of the specified information to another item of information displayed adjacent to the specified information on the selection axis in accordance with an input from the first input. The program further causes the computer apparatus to change a selection of the selected relation criterion to another relation criterion of the relation criteria that relate the specified information to the other items of information in accordance with an input from the second input.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0059] The present disclosure is further described in the detailed description that follows, by reference to the noted